III. *In addition, programmes on the following freedom fighters and noble sons of Orissa are under production/awaiting telecast :—*

1. Dr. Hare Krushna Mahtab
2. Ms. Rama Devi
3. Shri Biju Patnaik
4. P. K. Parija
5. Shri R.N. Singh Deo
6. Shri Braj Nath Biduja
7. Shri Utkal Mani Gopa Bandhu Dash
8. Shri Utkal Gaurav Madhu Sudan Das

Newspapers Published in Different Languages

3439. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the language-wise number of Newspapers published in 1994: and

(b) the circulation of each of the newspapers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BRADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) The information relating to total number of newspapers published in the country is not available as the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) maintains information only in respect of newspapers registered with them who submit their Annual Statement in terms of PRB Act. 1867. However. 38,800 newspapers were registered with RNI as on 31.12.1994

(b) The Annual Statements for the year 1994 submitted by the newspapers are under scrutiny. Compilation of circulation data etc. will be completed by RNI by 30th September, 1995 by which date they are required to sumit their Annual Report 'Press in India' to the Government.

Indian Languages Newspapers Association

3440. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Languages Newspapers Association (ILNA) have urged Government to reserve 200 tonnes of indigenous newsprint for each small and medium newspaper in the country at reported in the news item published in the Hindustan Times dated 7.4.95 (page 8) captioned "ILNA demands Newsprint quota":

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including their demand to increase the advetisement tariffs and expenditure payemnt by DAVP; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken so far in this regard and if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BRADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) The Government do not seem to have received such a demand from the Indian Languages Newspapers Association (ILNA).